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July 08, 2019 David J. Bradley, Clerk

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS HOUSTON DIVISION

BREEN DE BREE,	§
D1 : 4:60	§
Plaintiff,	§
VS.	§ CIVIL ACTION NO. 4:18-CV-4711
	§
PACIFIC DRILLING, INC., et al,	§
	§
Defendants.	§

ORDER ADOPTING MEMORANDUM AND RECOMMENDATION

Pending before the Court in the above referenced proceeding is Plaintiff's Motion to Remand (Doc. No. 8); Defendants' Response (Doc. No. 12; Plaintiff's Reply (Doc. No. 13); Judge Stacy's Memorandum and Recommendation (Doc. No. 33) that the Court deny the Plaintiff's Motion to Remand; and Plaintiff's Objections (Doc. No. 38) to the Memorandum and Recommendation.

The Court has reviewed the case, *de novo*, and agrees with the Magistrate Judge's conclusion that the parties are diverse, and the case was properly removed given the fraudulent joinder of the in-state Defendants Pacific Drilling Services, Inc., Pacific Drilling, Inc., and Rex Covens. It is accordingly

ORDERED that Plaintiff's Objections (Doc. No. 38) are OVERRULED; Magistrate Judge Stacy's Memorandum and Recommendation (Doc. No. 33) is ADOPTED; and Plaintiff's Motion to Remand (Doc. No. 8) is DENIED.

SIGNED at Houston, Texas, this

day of July, 2019.

ANDREW S. HANEN UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE